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Application No.

10/764,728

Examiner

Amelia A. Owens

Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to remarks filed 10-18-2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 3,6,7,21-28 and 37-41.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☒ Other DRAWINGS ACCEPTED.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Glenn Ladwig on February 26, 2007.

Applicant's election with traverse of Group I, claims 1-2 in the reply filed on October 18, 2006 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that search of group III with group II would not be burdensome. This is found persuasive and groups II and III, compounds of formula GTP1, GTP2, GTP3, GTP4 and GTP5 have been examined.

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 1,2, 4,5,8-20,29-36 have been canceled.

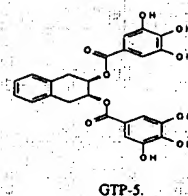
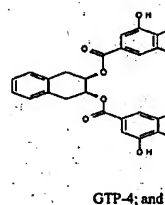
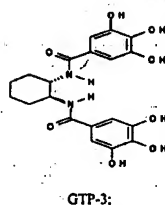
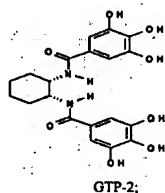
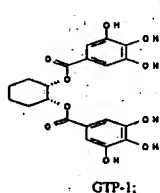
Claim 3 line 2 replace claim 1 with ---claim 38---

Claim 21 line 1 replace claim 20 with ----claim 40---

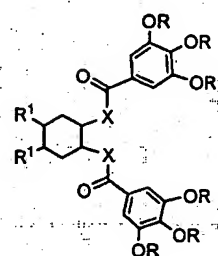
Claim 23 line 1 replace claim 19 with ---claim 39---

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---**Claim 38.** A compound having the structure of a formula selected from the group consisting of:

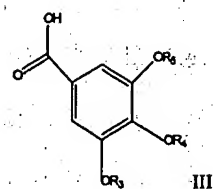
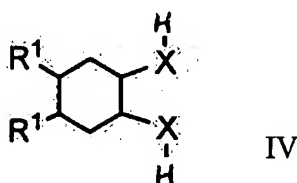


Claim 39. A method for synthesizing a compound having the structure of formula B,



said method comprising:

a) coupling a compound represented by formula IV with an acid represented by formula III:

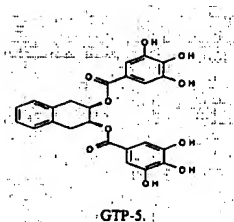
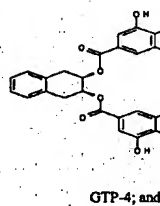
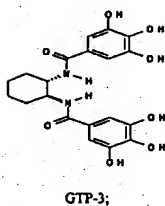
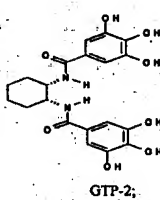
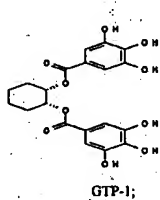


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to form a fully protected gallate ester, wherein R is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, heterocycloalkenyl, aryl, and acyl; X is O or NH; and wherein R¹ is selected from the group selected from H, alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, heterocycloalkenyl, aryl, and acyl.

Claim 40. The method according to claim 39, wherein the acid of formula III is employed in the form of a derivative which is an acyl halide or a mixed or symmetric acid anhydride; or the acid of formula III is reacted with the compound of formula I in the presence of a condensing reagent.

Claim 41. The method of claim 39, wherein the synthesized compound is selected from the group consisting of:



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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The closest prior art Yang (cited on PTO 1449 filed 5/25/2005) teach compounds @ page 1039. The compounds all contain a benzopyran instead of the instant cyclohexyl or naphthyl ring system. Motivation is lacking to replace the instant cyclohexyl or naphthyl ring with a benzopyran to arrive at the instant invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amelia A. Owens whose telephone number is 571-272-0690. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas C. McKenzie can be reached on 571-272-0670. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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